

SECRA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Saturday, February 22, 2014
Richard Platt, President

1. Recommendations from Fellows

President Platt called the meeting to order and turned the floor over to Mick Fekula, chair of SECRA fellows who presented recommended additions to the SECRA constitution. He pointed out that this did not include all of the bylaws, but were additions recommended by the Fellows. Mick suggested further that we put the draft on the website for one in order to give members an opportunity to review the additions and provide feedback. It was suggested that the changes could be voted on at the 2015 conference.

As a part of the discussion on the suggested changes, it was proposed that a smaller board than the one listed would be more efficient, and it was suggested that Section 3 of the proposal be changed to make associates positions and Directors at large nonvoting members unless the voting member was not able to attend, at which time the Associate would be allowed to vote in their place.

2. Midyear Board Meeting

It was proposed and accepted that the board would have an online meeting in the middle of the year to discuss business and hear reports on progress from the various committee members.

3. Duties and Responsibilities of Officers

Chris Cassidy suggested that as a part of the process of revising the constitution that we solicit feedback on specific duties and responsibilities involved with each of the SECRA offices.

3. Conference Fees

President Richard Platt requested that the board approve an increase of \$5 in the conference registration fee (from \$165 to \$170) and \$10 in the late registration fee (from \$200 to \$210). Board approved the fee increase to cover possible additional fees from changing the conference proceedings from CD to flash drive.

4. Logistics

Greg Stone reported that in Tim Redmer's absence he had signed the contracts for the Hotel booking our convention at Ocean Reef on the following dates:

Feb 19-21, 2015

Feb 25-27, 2016

Feb 23-25, 2017

He said that we were still promised winter rates on the later years when the conference was moved to a later date because of hotel scheduling issues.

5. CRS

President Richard Platt asked Mick Fekula to go over the features available with the two different versions of the CRS. The board voted unanimously to use the full version with

complete functionality at a cost of \$499.

6. Policy Statement Multiple Authors

President Richard Platt introduced the issue discussed at Thursday's board meeting regarding having multiple cases submitted one author or multiple cases submitted by multiple authors, with only one individual registering for the conference. Unfortunately, this practice has a negative impact on roundtables when there are not enough discussants for sessions. It was suggested that the program chair could pick or ask author(s) to pick one case for presentation so that each case must have a different author present. To address this issue, the following statement will be added to the conference website and registration form:

Individual authors will not be allowed to present more than one case at the conference. Due to the working nature of the conference, in situations involving multiple authors, it is expected that each case must have a unique presenter register for and attend the conference.

The program chair will have ultimate discretion to address issues if there are multiple submissions by a solo author.

The board unanimously approved the addition of these statements to the conference website and registration form.

7. Journal Committee

Susan Peters suggested that the past president be appointed as chair of the Journal Committee suggested in section 3.d.i. of the document of recommendations presented by the fellows. Mick Fekula informed the board that the editor of the Southeast Case Research Journal would be retiring from that position after next fall. He would have served in that capacity for 10 years. Mick requested that the board appoint a special committee to develop specific guidelines that must be followed in the operation and publishing of the SECRA journal going forward. The board approved the following committee to develop criteria for the journal editor.

Chair – Past President, Jan Serrano

President – Richard Platt

Proceedings Chair – Blaine Lawlor

Chair of Fellows – Mick Fekula

Becky Oatsvall

Susan Peters

This committee is to report back to the board at the mid year meeting.

8. Conference Planning Committee

President Richard Platt suggested that the Program Chair serve as the chair of the Conference Planning Committee suggested in section 3.d.ii. of the document of recommendations presented by the fellows.

Deadline 1 - Award Consideration Deadline

Deadline 2 - Proceedings Deadline

Deadline 3 - Program Inclusion Deadline (Discretion of program chair w/ proceedings editor)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Board Members Attending: Richie Platt (President), Jan Serrano (Past President), Mick Fekula (Membership, Webmaster, Dean of the Fellows), Blaine Lawlor (Proceedings Editor), Greg Stone (Program Chair), Susan Peters (Assistant Proceedings Editor and NACRA Representative), Keith Jones (Program Chair-Elect)

Guests: Chris Cassidy